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**PATENT
MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1632
Darwin J. Prockop *et al.* :
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Appln. No.: 09/816,182 : Examiner: Falk, Anne Marie
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Filing Date: March 23, 2001 :
: Attorney Docket
: No. **053844-5019-00**
For: EARLY STAGE MULTIPOTENTIAL :
STEM CELLS IN COLONIES OF BONE :
MARROW STROMAL CELLS :

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to and including May 17, 2004 for responding to the Office Action dated January 15, 2004, in view of the fact that May 15, 2004 and May 16, 2004 are a Saturday and Sunday.

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$____.00 is enclosed herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (**Billing No. 053844-5019**) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
- ☒ Extension fee in the amount of **\$55.00**.
- ☒ Any deficiencies or overpayments in the above-calculated fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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